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# CALIFORNIA-NEVADA TAHOE BASIN FIRE COMMISSION



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## NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

**Monday, January 14, 2008**

**Community Fire Safety Committee (9:00 a.m.),  
Wildland Fuels Committee (9:00 a.m.), and  
Gubernatorial Emergency Declaration Committee (1:30 p.m.)  
Sierra Nevada Community College,  
999 Tahoe Boulevard,  
Incline Village, Nevada  
(Committee's Notice/Agenda on page 3)**

**Tuesday, January 15, 2008, 9:00 a.m.**

**Commission Meeting  
Sierra Nevada Community College,  
999 Tahoe Boulevard,  
Incline Village, Nevada**

## AGENDA

### **(Action may be taken on those items denoted "Action")**

*Public comment may be limited to three minutes per person at the discretion of the Co-Chairs. Times listed are estimates provided for planning purposes only. Items may be taken out of order and may take more or less time than indicated.*

1. Call to Order and Roll Call. (15 minutes)
2. Discussion and Adoption of Minutes – **Action**
  - a. October 12, 2007
  - b. December 14, 2007
3. Staff Report – **Discussion/Action**
  - a. Status of Commission Work Plan
  - b. Status of Findings and Recommendations

4. Proposed Committee Structure Change-Discuss alteration of Scope of Work and membership of the Gubernatorial Emergency Declaration Committee; and change of Committee name to Legislative and Funding Policy Committee - **Action**
5. Committee Reports
  - a. Wildland Fuels Committee Report - **Discussion/Action**
    - i. Status of Findings and Recommendations regarding:
      1. Permit streamlining
      2. Prescribed burning and air quality issues
      3. Biomass utilization of vegetation fuel reduction products
      4. Other Findings and Recommendations
    - ii. Other issues.
  - b. Community Fire Safety Report - **Discussion/Action**
    - i. Status of Motions previously adopted
    - ii. Status of Findings and Recommendations regarding:
      1. Defensible space and water quality best management practices (BMPs)
      2. Levels of service for wildfire protection in the Tahoe Basin
      3. Fuels treatments on state and federal urban lots
      4. Homeowner education
      5. Other Findings and Recommendations
    - iii. Other issues
  - c. Gubernatorial Emergency Declaration Committee (or renamed committee) Report-**Discussion/Action**
    - i. Status of Findings and Recommendations regarding:
      1. A Gubernatorial Emergency Declaration for the Tahoe Basin
      2. TRPA Compact
      3. SNPLMA funding process
      4. Other Findings and Recommendations
6. Working Groups Report – **Discussion/Action**
7. Public Comment - **Discussion**
8. Adjournment

**A. Community Fire Safety Committee – 9:00 a.m.**

1. Call to Order
  - a. Roll Call
  - b. Review and approval of minutes – **Action**
  - c. Review of Agenda – **Discussion**
2. Review of previous actions taken – **Discussion** 9:30 am  
USFS (Joe Millar) will respond to questions posed at October 11, meeting. The committee will then review all previous actions taken on October 11, 2007 and will discuss any requests from committee members to take further action on topics discussed on October 11, 2007 Agenda.

**Break (15 minutes)**

3. Defensible Space 10:45am  
Presentation by Ed Smith: Developing and implementing a program aimed at promoting homeowners acceptance of responsibility in taking action aimed for creation of defensible space around their homes.  
Presentation by John Picket: Alternatives for first 30' around homes in Tahoe Basin.
4. Findings and Recommendations - **Discussion** 11:45am  
The committee members will discuss findings and recommendations regarding the subject matters discussed.

**Lunch 12:00pm**

5. Findings and Recommendations – **Action** 1:15pm  
The committee members may make findings and recommendations regarding the subject matters discussed and may take action on recommendations to the Commission.
6. California's Wildland Urban Interface Building Standards - **Discussion** 1:30 pm  
Presentation by California Office of the State Fire Marshal on new building code standard that goes into effect January 1, 2008.

**Break (15 minutes)**

7. Open for suggestions - 2:45 pm
8. Findings and Recommendations – **Discussion** 3:45 pm  
The committee members will discuss findings and recommendations regarding the subject matters discussed.
9. Public Comments (**30 minutes**) 4:00pm  
The sub-committee will hear comments from the public. Public comments will be limited to 3 minutes per person with a maximum of 30 minutes. Public comment cards will be accepted and called upon in the order received.
10. Findings and Recommendations - **Action** 4:30pm  
The committee members may make findings and recommendations regarding the subject matters discussed and may take action on recommendations to the Commission. The committee may also identify key performance measures and develop due dates for future work.
11. **Adjournment** 5:00pm

**B. Wildland Fuels Committee – 9:00 a.m.**

1. Call to Order
  - a. Roll call
  - b. Review and approval of minutes – **Action**
  - c. Review agenda including adjournment time – **Discussion**
2. Presentation on an upcoming Workshop – “Vegetation Management in Sensitive Areas of the Lake Tahoe Basin”
3. Dialogue (to include invited subject matter experts) - **Discussion**
  - a. Air Quality Working Group
    - Public Comments on Air Quality
    - Findings and recommendations on Air Quality– **Discussion/Action**
  - b. Permit Improvement Group
  - c. Stream Environment Zones
    - Public Comments on Permit Improvement and SEZ's
    - Findings and recommendations on Permit Improvement and SEZ's – **Discussion/Action**
4. Other Findings and recommendations – **Discussion/Action**
  - Public Comments
5. Upcoming meeting schedule – **Discussion/Action**
6. Adjournment

**C. Gubernatorial Emergency Declaration Committee – 1:30 p.m.**

1. Call to Order
  - a. Roll Call.
  - b. Review and approval of minutes.
2. Continue discussion on suitable findings to support an emergency declaration.
3. Discuss proposed alteration of Committee's scope of work and membership; and possible name change to Legislative and Funding Policy Committee
4. Other Findings and recommendations – **Discussion/Action**
5. Adjournment

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Copies of the written materials will be made available to the public at the meeting location at the Sierra Nevada Community College, Incline Village, Nevada

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